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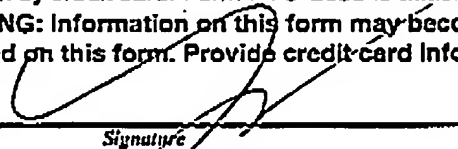
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Applicant(s): Thiele, Jr.			THL-10002/29
Application No. 10/827,564	Filing Date April 19, 2004	Examiner Okczic	Group Art Unit 3654
Invention: SHOVELS AND OTHER IMPLEMENTS WITH SCALLOPED LEADING EDGES			
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Invention: SHOVELS AND OTHER IMPLEMENTS WITH SCALLOPED LEADING EDGES					
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2005, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

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